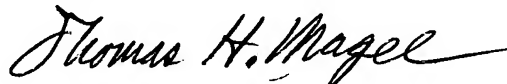


REMARKS

Permission to amend this application in the above manner is respectfully requested. The TITLE paragraph has been amended to reflect only an apparatus and not a process, and accordingly Claims 1 through 32 which are drawn to a process have been cancelled. Also, Claim 33 has been amended to recite that the apparatus is for applying particulate material on a photopolymerizable element useful as a flexographic printing plate. There is no change in substance and no new matter is involved.

Entry of this amendment and allowance of this application are respectfully requested.

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